

# Virginia Women Veterans Week

March 17-23, 2019

# **Department Veteran Services (VDVS) Activities**

- James Monroe Building Lobby exhibit highlighting various state agency staff (3/18-3/22)
- Virginia War Memorial exhibit (all month)
- Honoring women veterans on DVS, DHRM and Virginia.gov webpages / social media (all month)
- DVS March Enews edition to feature woman veteran profile

# Saturday & Sunday, March 16&17

*Military Through the Ages* – Special salute to women's roles in the military and contributions during times of war.

Jamestown Settlement, learn more here.

### **Monday**, 3/18

Join Governor Northam for a special pinning event at 11am in the Patrick Henry Bldg. on Capital Square in Richmond, West Reading Room (Room 1062). All women veterans in attendance will receive a Women Veterans Lapel pin to honor your service.

### **Monday - Friday, 3/18-22**

Visit any DVS location to receive a Women Veterans Lapel Pin to honor your service To find a DVS office near you click here: <a href="https://www.dvs.virginia.gov/#tabs-map1">https://www.dvs.virginia.gov/#tabs-map1</a> or contact Mel Sanchez melek.sanchez@dvs.virginia.gov

#### Tuesday – Wednesday, 3/19-20

Women Veterans Pinning Ceremony with Gift Presentation to WWII/ Korean War / Vietnam vet era

- Tues 3/19 11am Sitter & Barfoot Veterans Care Center (SBVCC), Richmond (near Richmond VA Medical Center)
- Wed 3/20 11am Virginia Veterans Care Center (VVCC), Roanoke (near Salem VA Medical Center)

# Friday, 3/22, 4 pm

Virginia Festival of the Book Program, Women and War: Untold Stories Charlottesville City Council Chambers, 605 East Main Street, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902 Click here for additional details.

### Saturday, 3/23

1:00 PM "Virginia Women Warriors: Grit and Grace" seminar

Richmond- Virginia War Memorial, click here for additional information.

## Friday-Sunday, 3/22-3/24

10:00 AM **Southern Women Show**, Richmond Raceway Complex (free admission & free parking) Central Virginia- For all dates and times, visit <a href="https://southernshows.com/wri">https://southernshows.com/wri</a>

### **Community Activities**

Tuesday, 3/19

8:00 AM

**Sisters-in-Arms Reveille Resource Fair and Breakfast,** Women's Business Center Richmond, Virginia Free admission but *pre-registration highly encouraged*, for more information click here: https://siareveille.eventbrite.com

Friday, 3/22

10:00 AM

Women Veterans' Hiring, Health, and Education Fair, Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC), Woodbridge Campus

Free admission but *pre-registration highly encouraged*, for more information click here. <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/women-veterans-event-hiring-education-health-fair-tickets-41924996794">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/women-veterans-event-hiring-education-health-fair-tickets-41924996794</a>

Sunday, 3/24

1:00 PM

"Exploring Identity w/ Women Veterans iPhone Photography" Series Workshop#2 Northern Virginia- Hylton Preforming Arts Center for more information click here. <a href="https://hylton.calendar.gmu.edu/exploring-identity-with-women-veterans-iphone-photography-workshop">https://hylton.calendar.gmu.edu/exploring-identity-with-women-veterans-iphone-photography-workshop</a>

# **Suggested Activities for Women Veteran Recognition**

- ✓ Start a Veteran's Affinity Group / Employee Resource Group
- ✓ Recognize on social media (don't forget to tag #VETEServices and #VirginiaWomenVetsWeek and any other social media)
- ✓ Recognize at staff meeting
- ✓ Send a letter/email of appreciation
- ✓ Recognition luncheon
- ✓ Say "Thank you for your service"